

CHAPTER NO. 634

SENATE BILL NO. 2685

By Cohen, Jackson, Tracy, Woodson, Kyle, Herron, Burks, Beavers, Black, Bowers, Bryson, Burchett, Cooper, Crowe, Crutchfield, Finney, Ford, Fowler, Harper, Haynes, Henry, Ketron, Kilby, Kurita, McLeary, McNally, Miller, Norris, Curtis S. Person, Jr., Ramsey, Southerland, Williams, Mr. Speaker Wilder

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2794

By Marrero, Baird, Maggart

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 20 and Title 49, Chapter 1, Part 2, relative to reporting of DUI related accidents.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 20, is amended by adding the following new section:

§ 4-3-2014.

Beginning October 1, 2006, and every month thereafter, the Department of Safety shall report any death of a person eighteen (18) years of age or younger that occurred as the result of a motor vehicle accident in which a driver eighteen years of age or younger was driving under the influence of an intoxicant or drug to the Department of Education. Such report shall include the following information:

- (1) The nature of the vehicular accident;
- (2) The background of the victim; and
- (3) The impact on the victim's family and friends.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 1, Part 2, is amended by adding the following new section:

§ 49-1-219.

(a) By January 1, 2007, the Commissioner of Education, in consultation with the Commissioner of Safety, shall develop advisory guidelines for LEAs to use in developing a monthly report to inform high school students of any death of a person eighteen years of age or younger reported under § 4-3-2014. Such guidelines shall emphasize consultation at the local level with appropriate authorities.

(b) The Department of Education may prepare and distribute to LEAs guidelines for informing high school students of any death of a person eighteen (18) years of age or younger reported under § 4-3-2014. Department guidelines shall include the following information related to any such death:

- (1) The nature of the vehicular accident;
- (2) The victim's background; and
- (3) The impact on the victim's family and friends.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 1, 2006


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE


JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 12th day of May 2006


PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR